

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 7, 2013**

Executive Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Executive Session at 4:30 PM on Monday, October 7, 2013 in the Learning Center Board Room. The following were present: Mr. Ralph Purkhiser, Dr. Ryan Carnes, Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, Mr. Kevin Allstott, Mrs. Linda Carnes, Mr. Tony Galloway, and Mr. Larry Kalb. Dr. Jerrill Vandeventer was also in attendance.

A second Executive Session was held, and dismissed at 7:00 PM. All board members and Dr. Vandeventer were present at the second Executive Session.

During the Executive Sessions, the Board discussed strategy with respect to collective bargaining, received information about prospective employees, and discussed individuals over whom the governing body has jurisdiction including job performance evaluations. No subject matters were discussed in the Executive Sessions other than the subject matters specified in the public notice.

Regular Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Regular Session at 6:06 PM in the Learning Center Board Room. All of the above, as well as Mr. Troy Pritchett, Mr. Tony Whitaker, Mrs. Julie Woolsey, Mrs. Jennifer Burton, Mrs. Tiffani Stemle, Mrs. Kathy Allstott, and Mrs. Edith Pinnick were present.

Mr. Purkhiser called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Mr. Galloway made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 9th, 2013 board meeting. Mrs. Carnes seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Vouchers and claims were approved as presented, with a motion by Mr. Galloway. Mrs. Carnes seconded, and the motion was carried 7-0.

Dr. Vandeventer congratulated Kelby Godden and Elizabeth Orr for their participation in the girls' regional golf competition, and commended Elizabeth for her 43rd place finish in the state tournament.

Dr. Vandeventer advised that he and Mr. Whitaker were at Indianapolis this morning to accept the district-wide accreditation certification from AdvancEd. Mr. Whitaker stated that this certification is the result of a very good school improvement team.

No patrons addressed the Board.

Mr. Pritchett reported that as part of the AdvancEd district accreditation process, the recommendation to revise and update the corporation's mission and vision statements has been fulfilled. He added that the new mission statement of "To Inspire, Prepare, Achieve, and Succeed!" is very useable, and advised that the statement will be displayed on signs throughout the buildings, will be incorporated on school letterhead and staff e-mails, as well as included on staff shirts. Mrs. Burton and Mrs. Stemle, chair-leaders for the accreditation team, stated that the group met on four different occasions with board members, chair-persons, and parents to develop the mission and vision statements, and added that it was nice working as a team. Mr. Pritchett commented that the revision process worked very well, and Mr. Michael Adamson of the Indiana School Boards Association was very helpful in contributing to the good work sessions.

Mrs. Woolsey distributed information on this year's ISTEP test score results, along with the scores from the previous four years for Springs Valley, Orleans, and Paoli schools. She pointed out the different score results for Springs Valley students on the English Language Arts and Math portions, and combined percentages. Dr. Vandeventer commended staff and students for the excellent results. Discussion was held, and Mrs.

Woolsey advised that teachers will review the test scores to evaluate the needs of those students that did not pass, to plan their individualized intervention/remediation.

Mr. Todd Marshall addressed board members on behalf of the Springs Valley Education Foundation. He stated the endowment fund is close to reaching a \$300,000 balance. He added that the school's previous matching contributions are incentive to other donors, and reported that eight scholarships totaling \$6,000 were presented last spring, with an additional three scholarships and donations from the Class of 1963. Mr. Marshall requested another matching donation of up to \$25,000 for 2014. Discussion was held, and Mr. Purkhiser advised the donation, if approved, would again be from the Casino Revenue Fund. Mr. Galloway made the motion to approve the matching donation up to \$25,000 from Casino Revenue Fund for the Springs Valley Education Foundation for 2014. Mrs. Lynch seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Vandeventer requested adoption of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) policies as documented on Exhibits A through H. He advised that adoption is necessary due to new regulations regarding the use and disclosure of Protected Health Information (PHI). Mrs. Carnes moved to adopt Exhibits A through H, as presented. Mrs. Lynch seconded, and the motion was carried 7-0. (copies attached)

As requested by Mr. Mark Hammond, Dr. Vandeventer recommended approval of the following coaches: Mr. Kyle Crews for 7th grade boys' basketball, Mr. Jerod Speer – 8th grade boys' basketball, and Mr. Caleb Moffatt for 6th grade boys' basketball. Mr. Galloway so moved, and Mrs. Lynch seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Vandeventer reported that he recently entered into a five-year contract with Smithville Communications for the telephone service, and was pleased to report that our corporation has received a rate reduction of \$130.00 per month over the five-year period.

Mr. Purkhiser and Mr. Marshall reported that the Education Foundation committee will be meeting Wednesday with the American Legion regarding the proposed Veterans' Memorial at the high school flagpole. Cost of the bronze plaque is estimated at \$1,100, with a limestone base.

Mr. Purkhiser advised that he recently attended the ISBA Fall Meeting, and had the clinic session booklets and materials available for other board members if interested. Discussion was held about a corporation restraint policy. Dr. Vandeventer stated that a policy will be presented for approval before the end of the year.

Dr. Vandeventer reported that he and Mr. Purkhiser recently met with Choice Mechanical representative Tim Garver. Mr. Garver advised that he will revisit the air conditioning issues in the high school gymnasium, as previously discussed.

Mr. Purkhiser advised that the board would be returning to Executive Session. With no other business before the board, Mr. Kalb motioned to adjourn. Mr. Galloway seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

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